

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An input request may be processed by a device such as a network access apparatus, servlet, applet, stand-alone executable program, or a user interface
5 element such as a microphone, text box object or location field of a web browser. When such an input request is determined to include a valid domain name, it may then be determined whether to perform a search request with the input as a literal string. A search request may be initiated by selecting an exact phrase option from a listbox or by surrounding the input with a delimiter such as the
10 quote sign (e.g., "example.com") to process the detected domain name as a literal string, otherwise a domain name detected from input may be processed as a registration and/or resolution request. When it is determined that the input is instead processed as a resolution and/or registration request, then the resolvability and/or availability of the domain name may be determined. When
15 the domain name is determined to be not resolvable, then the domain name may be processed as a registration request.

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